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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Present Application:

Applicant : Scott E. Moore
Attorney Docket No. : 500199.05
Filed : Concurrently herewith
Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PLANARIZING A MICROELECTRONIC
SUBSTRATE WITH A TILTED PLANARIZING SURFACE

Prior Application:

Examiner : Willie Berry, Jr.
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Serial No. : 09/388,828

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Amend the specification by inserting a new section before the "Technical Field"
as follows:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a continuation of pending United States Patent Application
No. 09/388,828, filed September 1, 1999. --

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In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 17-43 and 49-76.

Respectfully submitted,

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